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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH NOTIFIES APPLICANTS ELIGIBLE TO REGISTER FOR MEDICAL MARIJUANA CULTIVATION CENTERS

(Washington, D.C.) – Today, the DC Department of Health (DOH) notified applicants who are eligible to register for a medical marijuana cultivation center in the District of Columbia. The selection process included review by a (6) member panel with expertise and understanding of specific criteria defined in the regulations, and input from Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) members.

The panel put forth recommendations to DOH Director, Dr. Mohammad Akhter. With information and guidance from the review panel and ANC, Dr. Akhter narrowed-down the pool of applicants eligible to establish cultivation centers. Cultivation center applicants who will be eligible to register include:

Abatin Wellness Center 1
2146 Queens Chapel Road, NE
Washington, DC 20018

Holistic Remedies (1)
1840 Fenwick Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002

Montana Apothecary dba Alternative Solutions
2170 24th Place, NE
Washington, DC 20018

Phyto Management, LLC
3701 Benning Road, NE
Washington, DC 20019

District Growers (1)
2417 Evarts Street, NE
Washington, DC 20018

Venture Forth dba Center City
2210 Channing Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002

"I am thrilled that the District of Columbia is one step closer to having the medical marijuana program available for those patients most in need," said Dr. Akhter, Director DC Department of Health. The selected applicants went through a rigorous process and I am confident that these applicants are capable of ensuring patient and public safety, as they have met all the criteria defined in the program regulations."

Applicants must now apply for business licenses, building permits, certificates of occupancy, and meet all other regulatory requirements prior to receiving a registration from DOH to operate a medical marijuana cultivation center.

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